GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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AIR SERVICES BETWEEN INDIA AND BHUTAN
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether talks have been held between India and Bhutan to increase the number of flights between the two countries;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the decision taken in this regard as a result of the talks held between the two countries?

Answer

- MINISTER OF STATE(INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION(SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a):- Yes, Sir. Bilateral air services consultation between India and Bhutan were held on 5-6 July, 2005 in Thimphu.

(b)and (c):- During the bilateral talks held between the two countries, it was agreed that the designated airlines of each side will be entitled to operate up to 49 services per week in each direction. Chennai, Mumbai, Gaya and Guwahati have been granted as additional points of call for the designated airlines of Bhutan besides currently available points of call viz. Delhi and Kolkata.